GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:172
ANSWERED ON:03.03.2003
LAWS TO DEAL WITH SPURIOUS SEED MANUFACTURING COMPANIES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the existing laws to deal with the spurious and bogus seed manufacturing companies in the country;

(b) whether the existing laws are insufficient to bring them to book;

(c) if not, the details of such manufacturing companies brought to book in the country particularly in Karnataka and Maharashtra during the last three years;

(d) whether the Government are planning to introduce new legislation in this regard; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI AJIT SINGH)

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFFERED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.172 DUE FOR REPLY ON 3RD MARCH, 2003.

(a): The Seeds Act, 1966 regulates the quality of seeds of notified kinds and varieties. The Seeds (Control) Order, 1983 regulates the production, supply and distribution of all types of seeds.

(b): No, Sir.

(c): A list of dealers/seed producers whose seeds were found sub-standard during the years 1999-2000 to 2001-02 is placed at Annexure-I.

(d)&(e): Government propose to amend the Seeds Act in order to regulate the quality of seeds of non-notified kinds and varieties and to provide for more stringent penalties for infringement.

ANNEXURE-I

List of seed dealers/seed producers whose seeds were found sub-standard during the last three years (1999-2000 to 2001-02).

Karnataka

1. Karnataka State Seeds Corporation

2. Mahyco

3. Amareshwara TSR Seeds

4. National Seed Corporation

5. Karnataka Seeds Basavanagudi
6. Bisco Seed Tech

7 Karnataka Agro Seeds

8. Hindustan Lever

9. Amareshwara Agri Tech
10. Spic PHI
11. Green Tech
12. Nath Seeds
13. ECI Agri Tech
14. Sun Agro Seeds
15. Golden Seeds
16. Solar Seeds
17. Zuari
18. Yaganti Seeds
19. Maharashtra State Seeds Corporation
20. Travik Seeds
21. Monsanto Technologies
22. Kaveri Seeds
23. Goverdhan Seeds - Baroda
24. Vinayak Agro Agency
25. Multiplex Fertilizers
26. Nunhems Proagro
27. Somnath Seeds
28. Hindustan HI Tech Agro Product
29. Proagro Seeds
30. Namdhari Seeds
31. Preethi Seeds
32. Bhadra Hy. Seeds
33. Kinara Seeds
34. Spic Seeds
35. Season seeds
36. Sai Krishi Kendra
37. Seed Markfed
38. Ganga Kaveri
39. Sagar Seeds
40. Solar Seeds
41. Multiplex Laxmi Fert.
42. Consolidated Seeds
43. Indo American Seeds
44. Kaveri Kodai Seeds
45. Nuziveedu Seeds
46. SSCI, Haveri.
47. Sri Seeds Corpn.
48. Sri Amareshwara Hy. Seeds
49. Aruna Seeds

Maharashtra

1. Bharat S Line Hyderabad

2. Nav Bharat Seeds Pct. Ltd., Jalna